



Below is an update on the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan and Health Insurance Marketplace:

Iowa Health and Wellness Plan

Medically Exempt Provider Referral Form Released: The final Medically Exempt Provider Referral form has been released. The form may be used for individuals who have been made eligible for the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan. The form cannot be accepted until the individual has been made eligible for the plan. See page four of the form for a list of individuals permitted to submit the form to Iowa Medicaid. The form may be submitted by mail, fax or email to Iowa Medicaid. Watch next week's update for information about a Medically Exempt training webinar and information toolkit. [Access the referral form here](#).

Medically Exempt Definition Released: The final definition of Medically Exempt has been released. [Access the final definition document here](#).

Iowa Wellness Plan Managed Care Map Released: The Iowa Wellness Plan will provide managed health care through primary care providers in 74 counties for January 1, 2014. Remaining counties will be added as provider capacity is available, beginning in February 2014 and beyond. Members in counties without managed care will receive services through the fee-for-service model until managed care is available. Members in some counties will also have access to the HMO as well. [Access the map of managed care counties here](#).

Member Enrollment Mailings Begin: Iowa Health and Wellness Plan members have begun to receive enrollment packets, and will continue to receive packets throughout the week. Included in the packets is the tentative assignment for either a primary care provider (Wellness Plan) or health plan (Marketplace Choice Plan). Members have until December 19 to make a change to the tentative assignment for January 1, 2014. To make a change to the tentative assignment, the member may complete the enrollment form included in the packet, or call Iowa Medicaid Member Services at 1-800-338-8366 or in the Des Moines area 515-256-4606.

Iowa Health and Wellness Plan Provider Outreach Toolkit: A toolkit has been created for providers to use in any outreach and education efforts related to the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan. The toolkit includes sample newsletter content and other educational information. An additional member education toolkit will be released in the coming weeks. [Access the provider outreach toolkit here](#).

Health Insurance Marketplace

Marketplace Webinars: The Iowa Insurance Division's Marketplace webinars continue. Four topics repeat throughout the series:

- Learn How the Marketplace and SHOP Marketplace Affect Insurance Professionals

- Learn How the Marketplace Affects Small Business
- Consumer Organization Educational Stakeholder Trainings
- Learn How the Marketplace Affects Health Care Providers

You can register for any of the webinars [here](#). You may also find a find the full schedule of Affordable Care Act Events on the [ACA Event Calendar](#).

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